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SUBJECT: Extension Request for the OU 7-10 Remedial Action (RA) Report - (EM-ER-04-137)

Dear Mr. Koch and Mr. Ceto:

The Department requests a 21 day extension of the July 19, 2004 milestone for delivery of the draft RA report for OU 7-10, Glovebox Excavator Method Project. DOE believes good cause exists pursuant to FFA/CO 13.2(e), "Any other event or series of events mutually agreed to by the Parties."

Validated characterization data resulting from the excavation of Pit 9 became available later than planned. Originally, all the data should have been available by May 20. Scheduling the Final Inspection for that date would have allowed 60 days to evaluate the data and prepare the RA report. Final validated data was not available until June 8 – almost three weeks later than planned. Due to this unanticipated delay, a twenty-one day extension is requested, making the RA report due on August 9. The RA report cannot be complete without the inclusion of the data.

Because the current delivery date of July 19 is less than three weeks away, I am requesting your concurrence as soon as possible. Please contact me at 208-526-5920 if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

Jeff Snook, Manager

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